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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

The recent settlement between the U.S. Department of Justice and Microsoft is fair and should be finalized. Litigation has gone on now for over three years, which is much too long, and will start to be detrimental to our economy if it continues.

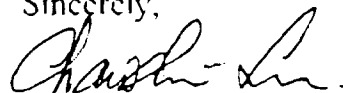
The terms of the settlement are fair, as Microsoft has agreed to disclose internal interfaces and protocols as well as not retaliate against computer makers who ship software that competes with anything in its Windows operating system. The terms should appease all opposition as they force Microsoft to give away much of their technological secrets.

I ask your office to tell the nine states that want to continue litigation that it is neither in the public's best interests nor good for our economy. I support the settlement, and anticipate the end of this case. Thank you for your time.

I think that Microsoft has developed significant contributions to high technologies during the last twenty years for this country. The economical prosperity this country enjoyed for the last decade resulted largely from the Microsoft contributions.

The settlement between DOJ and Microsoft should be finalized as soon as possible. The other nine states should also accept the terms of the settlement.

Sincerely,



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